(a) whether the recent tests of the Naval version of the Trishul missile at Chandipur range have confirmed its capability as a ship launched, sea-skimming, antiship missile similar to the French Exocet weapon system;

(b) if so, its technical capability as compared to the Exocet missile; and

(c) when it is likely to be inducted into regular service?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) TRISHUL is a surface-to-air missile and not an anti-ship missile like the Exocet missile. In naval version TRISHUL has capability to destroy the sea-skimmer anti-ship missiles. Naval version of TRISHUL has been successfully flight tested from Interim Test Range Chandipur.

(b) Does not arise. TRISHUL and EXOCET are missiles of different classes.

(c) TRISHUL naval version is likely to be inducted into regular service by the Navy in 1993.

[*Translation*]

Compensation to Persons Affected due to Acquisition of Land for Field Firing Range in Bikaner Distt.

2569. SHRI MANPHOOL SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mahajan Field Firing Range was established after acquiring the land of 34 Villages of Bikaner district in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, whether full compensation has been paid to the residents of these villages; and

(c) if not, the time by which the Government propose to pay the remaining amount of compensation to them?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) The Mahajan Fild Firing Range was established by acquiring the land of 33 villages of Bikaner district in Rajasthan.

(b) and (c). Full compensation was deposited by Ministry of Defence with the locai civil authorities. The entitled persons have been paid compensation except where, due to disputes, the amount is held by the Court.

[*English*]

Allocation of Funds to Karnataka from Central Road Fund

2570. SHRI G. MADEGOWDA: Wili the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated to Karnataka from the Central Road Fund during each of the last three years;

(b) the details of amount sanctioned for different projects and the amount actually released during the above period; and

(c) the funds proposed to be released during 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRNSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). Amounts allocated and actually released to Karnataka during last three years are as given below:-

Year	*Amount allocated (Rs. in laksh)*	*Amount released (Rs. in laks)*
1988-89	68.23	78.00
1989-90	10.00	6.024
1990-91	7.00	7.00

Following two road projects costing Rs. 119.45 lakhs have been sanctioned during above period, out of which an amount of Rs. 45.00 lakhs is debitable to Central Road Fund:-

S.No.	*Name of work*	*Approved cost (Rs. in lakhs)*
1.	Construction of bridges across Cauvery river near Kadu-Vinalisaltali in Arkalgud Taluk	59.45
2.	Providing 4 lane carriageway for the road between Mysore & Krishnarajpet	60.00

Funds under Central Road Fund are released in lumpsum and not work-wise, keeping in view operative sanction and funds available for the purpose.

(c) Funds to be released during 1991-92 is dependent upon operative sanctions and total funds available for the purpose.

[*Translation*]

Development of Carpet Industry

2571. SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to save the carpet industry from the economic crisis and for its overall development;

(b) whether the Government propose to issue export licences to this industry and arrange for quality inspection of the carpets for export;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) the export target fixed for the year 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Exports of carpets have shown an upward trend as evidenced by exports during April-September, 1991 amounting to Rs. 273.05 crores (Provl.) as compared to Rs. 182.91 crores (Provl.) during corresponding period in 1990. The steps taken for the over all development of carpet industry are as follows:-

i) Government is setting up a Carpet Technology Institute at Bhadohi.

ii) 437 Carpet Weaving Training